

COMMUNITY NEWS

Elba Rotary plans dinner/auction

It's time again for the Rotary Club dinner/auction, an annual fundraiser held every April to raise funds for the club's many projects. Members of the Elba Rotary Club are asked to bring guests for dinner (\$6 each) and an evening of excitement. Each Rotarian brings two items to be auctioned off during the evening. Last year, an item of interest was a stained glass stepping stone made by Pres. Jim Gilmer's sister-in-law, Carolyn Johnson,

from Indiana. This year she is contributing two items for the auction: another stained glass stepping stone and an original watercolor, framed painting which she painted from a photo taken somewhere in the Elba area by her Aunt Barbara McDowell about 15 years ago. Anyone interested in owning this original work of art should ask a Rotarian to invite them to the dinner/auction or ask the Rotarian to bid on the painting.



About the artist: Carolyn Wilson Johnson (EHS '69 and a graduate of University of Alabama and Ball State University) lives in Carmel, Ind., with her husband Dave and three college-age children. One of her early paintings is the Elba Courthouse which hangs in the east hallway of the courthouse. She's past president of the Indiana watercolor society and Hamilton (Co.) Artists Club. Her works have been accepted in numerous juried shows, for which she has received many awards and purchase awards.



ATTENTION...People in the Elba area...A flock of pink flamingos have been seen flying around looking for a place to roost. Jim and Ann Nichols found them doing just that on their lawn Monday afternoon as they returned home from Jim's eye surgery. If the flamingos appear in your yard, call The Peoples Bank and ask for Henrietta Grimes or Stacey Parker, and they will make sure that your friend finds the pink birds in their yard for a donation of \$25 or more. The donation will benefit Relay for Life fight against Cancer.

Elba High School Band Day planned

Bring a lawn chair and enjoy a day of music on the courthouse square Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Elba Elementary and Elba High School bands will entertain throughout the day with a performance by the Ft. Rucker band at 12 Noon. An auction will be held at 10:30 a.m. with items donated by local merchants. A new addition to the annual Band Day is the giant yard sale. Anyone may make donations of clothing, toys, appliances, etc. The items should be dropped off at The Jewel Box or call to have them picked up (Laura Baxley at 897-6451 or Anita Grimes at 897-2775). All proceeds will help provide instruments, percussion equipment, travel expenses and music for the Elba High School band.

Barnes and Johnson join staff of Peoples Bank of Coffee County

Doris Matthews, president and CEO of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County, announces that James Barnes and Ashley

Johnson have joined the staff of The Peoples Bank. Barnes will serve as executive vice-president and senior lending officer while Johnson will oversee brokerage and investment operations through PRIMEVEST Financial Services. The Peoples Bank, which has locations in Elba and New Brockton, is part of the Henderson Bancshares holding company.

A native of Coffee County and resident of Enterprise, Barnes has over 30 years of banking experience. He currently serves on the Enterprise Industrial Development Board, the Coffee County Salvation Army and YMCA Boards, as well as treasurer of the Coffee County Family Services Board. Barnes is also a member of the Enterprise Lions Club. He is a member of First Baptist Church of Enterprise, where he serves as a deacon. His wife, Stacia, is a teacher in the Enterprise City School System. Barnes has two children, Paul and Brandi, and two grandchildren.



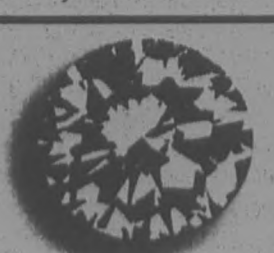
James Barnes



Ashley Johnson

Johnson attends Basin Baptist Church where he teaches a Sunday School class. He and his wife, Leigh, are the parents of a six-month-old daughter. "We are pleased to welcome both James and Ashley to The Peoples Bank. James brings extensive experience and a proven history of success with him, while Ashley comes to us with experience, enthusiasm and an eagerness to help the people of Coffee County with their investment and financial planning needs," said Matthews. "I feel very fortunate to have two employees of their caliber on our staff."

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Elba Fire Department upgrading service

by Linda Hodge, Staff Writer

The Elba Fire Department made a few improvements Monday night during its regular monthly drill in which Fire Chief Larry Goodson hopes will better equip the department in protecting local citizens.

The first order of business was the addition of two new firemen to the department.

The members of the department voted and approved the addition of Gappa Wise and Greg Sowell Jr. as the newest Elba firefighters.

"Our goal is to put good, responsible people on the fire department," said Goodson.

"We were in need of people who can respond to daytime fires, and these guys work within the city and are willing to respond to the day fires."

Wise is a local contractor in Elba. He and his wife, Mona, have a 14-month old son, Hudson.

"I am glad to be on the fire department and help in any way I can," he said.

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Chief Goodson

Sowell is the owner of Coleman and Sowell Vault Company and is married to Mary Sowell.

"I hope I'm able to touch someone's life in a positive way while on the force," added Sowell.

Besides the addition of two firefighters, the department also made some equipment changes Monday night.

When entering smoke-filled or hazardous environments, firefighters use a self-contained breathing apparatus. The air bottles on the apparatus have a 15-year shelf-life from the date of manufacture.

The Elba Fire Department had 24 out-of-date bottles that were replaced with new air bottles Monday night.

"These 24 bottles will greatly enhance our life-saving abilities when fighting a fire," said Lt. Wesley DeVane, secretary-treasurer of the department. "The bottles provide firemen 15 minutes of clean air in a smoke-filled or hazardous environment."

DeVane said the 24 air bottles were purchased by the fire department for \$7,326, but the time saved by having the bottles is worth much more than that.

"Without the addition of the new bottles, the department would only have enough bottles to allow firemen one trip into the hazardous environment," he said. "If we couldn't get the job done on that one bottle, we would simply be out of luck."

He said once the 15 minutes of air in the bottle is used, the bottle has to be returned to the fire station to be refilled. The extra air bottles allow firemen to simply switch bottles on the scene of the incident and return to fighting the fire or helping citizens who may be trapped.

"These new bottles for the self-contained breathing apparatus are a positive step in assisting us as we try and provide our citizens with the best possible protection against fire or other hazardous conditions," said DeVane.



DEPARTMENTS ADDS TWO NEW MEMBERS Gappa Wise (l) and Greg Sowell Jr. (r) became Elba's newest firefighters Monday evening when members of the fire department voted for and approved their joining the department.



NEW AIR TANKS PLACED IN SERVICE...Members of the Elba Fire Department are shown above removing outdated air bottles from the department's equipment and replacing them with the new bottles recently purchased by the department. Captured changing the air bottles are (from left): Timmy Richards, J.C. Smith and P.J. Young.

City Council hears of two police officers leaving department

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

On Monday night the Elba City Council heard Police Chief R. W. Whitworth report the retirement of one police officer and the resignation of another.

L. C. Cook after many years of service to Elba has announced his pending retirement, which is effective June 1st.

Officer Johnny Senn has resigned from the Elba department, effective April 19th, to accept a position with the Alabama Highway Patrol.

Whitworth also reported that former officer John Bryan, who retired for health reasons, passed away last week.

Whitworth also presented the council with an option to participate in a law enforcement grant from SE Ala. Medical Center.

Traffic Control. Officers who work overtime on traffic law enforcement will be paid by the grant.

Officers who participate will be paid time and a half, but must show their efforts have helped reduce wrecks and alcohol-related incidents and have increased the usage of seatbelts.

Mayor James Grimes informed council members that he is working on a new pay scale for all city employees. It should be ready for consideration at the end of the fiscal year and hopefully will be fairer and more beneficial to all employees.

The council approved the bid of Rudolph Price of \$250 a month to operate the concessions at the city parks during the months of April, May, June and July.

The council also voted to apply for FEMA grants for homeowners who want to construct an approved home storm shelter. The grants will be 75%-25% matching grants with FEMA paying the 75% and the homeowner paying the balance.

Monthly bills totaling \$10,913.02 were approved for payment.

The council approved a low bid of \$168,402 from a Mississippi firm for additional slip lining in sewer lines and a new wet well on Highland Drive. The project is funded

which the board adopted. Basically, should a student make a threat, he or she will be suspended for five days and the appropriate law enforcement agency will be contacted along with juvenile authorities to investigate the matter. The student may also be required to appear in a hearing before the board after which it will be determined by the board and the superintendent whether or not further action is required. This

juvenile officers and law enforcement in certain situations.

A letter, prompted by the recent shootings that have occurred in schools across the country, was sent out to the parents of students in the county system regarding school violence.

"We have also had some incidences in our schools where we've had to discipline students for making threats regarding bringing guns to school or shooting other students or threatening to shoot students," said Supt. Rodger Bowden. "I felt that it was imperative that we strengthen our disciplinary measures when threats are made on our campuses."

After meeting with District Judge Steve Blair and District Attorney Mark Fuller, Bowden drafted the new guidelines



Pictured above, Gene Barksdale (right) is congratulated by Probate Judge William O. Gammill following his swearing-in ceremony.

with the balance of the major sewer rehab/extension project funds.

Grimes asked each council member to recommend one person to serve on the cemetery committee. They will assist and advise the mayor and city clerk.

The mayor also told council members that the city had received approval for an Industrial Park feasibility study grant.

The City is also reviewing the cost of group term life insurance on employees.

Commissioner Brooks then made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kayo Lewis to

replace.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Stephens made a motion that now, and in the future, the commission send a formal and appropriate letter of condolence to the family of any county employee who dies. The motion passed unanimously.

John Tallas, director of Coffee County's Emergency Management Agency, made commissioners aware of the availability of a 75-25 matching funds grant from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) for safe rooms and community shelter throughout the "State of Alabama."

There is a strict limit of \$3,500 on the actual safe room, and they have to meet certain construction specifications which are spelled out in FEMA publications," said Tallas.

Based on the criteria that has to be met in order to be eligible to receive these grant funds, Coffee County falls in the third priority group in competing for the monies. Tallas asked commissioners to direct any individuals wishing to file grant applications with FEMA to contact his office. The deadline for doing so is April 16, 2001.

In other matters, "Jail Administrator Zack Ennis reported that although the jail has several maintenance problems they were being addressed by county maintenance personnel," Commissioner Jim Thompson encouraged Ennis to inform commissioners and seek their help on any problems he might have with jail maintenance.

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Commission zips through light agenda

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission zipped through a short meeting agenda Monday and was signing bills shortly after 9:30 a.m.

In general business from the commissioners, Commissioner Bernest Brooks made a motion to bring back on the table a motion to pay John's Chapel AME Church \$400 to help defray expenses incurred when the church's facilities were used as a voting site in the June 12, 2000 election.

The matter was tabled in the June 12, 2000 meeting. Brooks' motion passed by a 6-1 vote with Commissioner Tom Grimsley abstaining from voting on the matter.

County Engineer Randy Tindell presented a preliminary plat for the Hampton Place - Phase I subdivision and recommended that it be approved. The new subdivision is being located just off Co. Rd. 704 (also known as Headless Horseman Road) which is northeast of Enterprise. Commissioners approved the plat.

On a sad note, Tindell noted the death of William Royce Miley on March 30 of which all the commissioners were already aware of.

"We lost a very valuable employee," said Tindell. "Royce was a very young man (age 36) and he was foreman in the highway department responsible for placing all of our liquid asphalt, stone and resurfacing. In fact, he had built several roads within the past couple of years on his own, and he will be hard to replace."

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Area Happenings

EHS BAND DAY

Elba High School Band Day will be Saturday, April 14, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on the courthouse square. Activities will include entertainment by the elementary and high school bands throughout the day, a large yard sale, jail for Ball and an auction. Barbecue plate tickets will be sold by hand members or may be purchased at Whitman Drugs.

COMMUNITY-WIDE EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES

will be held at Westside Baptist Church, this Sunday, April 15, at 6 a.m. Breakfast will be served following services. Everybody is welcome.

COUNTY SCHOOLS' KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for the Coffee County School System will be held the week of April 30-May 4 from 8 a.m. until 3:15 p.m. Primary schedule for registration is as follows:

• Zion Chapel Elementary School - Tuesday, May 1 • Kinston Elementary School - Wednesday, May 2 • New Brockton Elementary School - Thursday, May 3

The following information will be required at registration: • Birth Certificate • Social Security Card • Immunization Certificate • Chicken pox vaccination is required for entrance into kindergarten. For questions, contact the Coffee County Health Department. • Proof of Residence Children entering kindergarten must be 5-years-old on or before Sept. 2.

For additional information or questions, contact the principal of the respective schools: Zion Chapel Elementary - Bob Annas, 897-6802; Kinston Elementary - Patty Taylor, 565-3027; or New Brockton Elementary - Dr. Irma Townsend, 894-6152.

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

A phone call from Governor Don Siegelman last Wednesday afternoon was a call of apology for the delay in helping wrap up the funding for the Elba and Geneva levee rehab projects. The Governor said the delay would be made up for asap, and he would live up to his commitment for help on this need. On behalf of the people of Elba and Geneva, we of course thanked him, but did urge Governor Siegelman to cut to the chase and live-up. He wanted the people of Elba and Geneva to know that he was personally following up on this project and Elba and Geneva would be hearing from him soon.

If you see some of us "more mature" citizens sitting in the soybean field of some of the nearby farms and munching the beans, don't get overly alarmed. It just means we have read the latest medical report that there is a chemical in soy products, which seems to delay or prevent Alzheimer's... at least in lab rats. The chemical is Phytosterols, but don't expect to buy bottles of this in "natural" form because these same experts report that the lab-made form of the good stuff just isn't as good as when a person eats a lot of food made with soy. Right now we are posting an alert for a report from some other expert feeding soy to rats which warns us that the stuff CAUSES or speeds up Alzheimer's in humans. We just can't get out of this world alive!

To our knowledge not one person (except maybe an Alabama legislator) has spoken in favor of the proposed pay raise for the members of the Alabama legislature. At a time when the state taxes will not pay the ongoing obligations, it takes a lot of gall to even openly admit you would accept such an increase. It probably will not happen, but our dream is to see a recorded vote on this not-so-small idea.

April 15th is not only Easter Sunday, but also the day your income tax return needs to be in the mail. Of course, the real nice IRS will probably accept a postmark of Monday, since the post office is closed on Sunday and threatening to do the same for Saturday. Our advice to Coffee County citizens is to go ahead and pay your taxes. These stories of a "kinder, more gentle" IRS probably doesn't apply when the official address of the taxpayer is Coffee County, Alabama. Take the case of that small business owner who stood up in front of the TV cameras recently and announced he wasn't paying income taxes, not withholding from his employees. Had he been a Coffee County businessman, his family would have been visiting him in jail before another day passed and the employees would have found a padlock on the door with the signature of a federal marshal. Maybe it isn't that bad, but your life will be far more enjoyable if you operate and pay your taxes as if the tax man was knocking over your shoulder every minute of every day in the year.

It would be nice if we could solve the present stand off between the U.S. and China. Of course, it is a spy plane, but they were over international waters which is for the use of everyone. And as one expert noted, we spy on them, they spy on us... that is a given, but from international waters and air space, it is the right of nations to do so. Having said that, our readers should be reminded that there is still no sure fire solution from this corner.

Relay For Life Events

A Hamburger Plate Lunch (hamburger, baked beans, chips and dessert) will be served at the Extension System Kitchen at the Farm Center Complex, New Brockton, on Thursday, April 12, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5. Call 894-5566 for tickets or reservations. All proceeds will benefit the Relay for Life.

The Prodecraft Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, April 13, at the Panther Creek-Ozark Country Club. Registration is at 11 a.m. with the Shotgun Start beginning at 12 Noon. For additional information, call Rhonda Simmons at 393-1340 ext. 269. All proceeds will benefit the Relay for Life.

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From the Desk of:
Alabama State Representative Terry Spicer

House Members Allocate Funds For Public Safety and Corrections

Montgomery House Members returned from Spring Break this week to discuss the state's 2001-2002 General Fund Budget. Both the General Fund and Education Budget will be covered over the course of the next two weeks. House Members fulfilled their commitment to carefully examining and all changes to the budget, placing a particular emphasis on the areas of public safety and corrections.

"One of the major problems Alabama currently faces involves the shortage of State Troopers," said Representative Terry Spicer (D-Elba). "By appropriating more money to these agencies, this Legislative body is working towards making our roads safer and our prisons more secure."

The Department of Corrections (DOC) and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) are among two of the most critical state needs addressed by the budget. Currently, Alabama fully 450 officers short of its needed minimum correctional officer standing. In order to rise to the national average, the state would have employ 900 more officers. Our prisons are overcrowded, which creates a more



Rep. Terry Spicer

stressful and unsafe working environment for our state's current corrections officers, continues Representative Spicer. "The new budget allocates an additional \$3 million to the DOC for the purpose of hiring 80 new officers to serve in our currently understaffed prisons."

Alabama's roadways are also "suffering from a lack of maintenance. At present, Alabama has fewer than eight state troopers on the highways statewide between the hours of midnight and 6 a.m. In order to provide constant 24-hour coverage the state needs an estimated 850 more troopers, for an average of five officers per county. The DPS will see an increase of \$1.6 million, which ensures that at least two additional state trooper classes will be initiated. This will result in 80 new troopers patrolling our state highways over the course of the next fiscal year."

Sponsored by the General Fund Ways and Means Committee Chairman John Knight (D-Montgomery), the fiscal year 2001-2002 General Fund Budget identifies other state agencies that will benefit

from an increase in their allocated funds, while other agencies will be either reduced or consolidated.

"Several organizations will be experiencing a decrease from the previous year's budget," indicates Rep. Knight. "Our changes are based on the recommendations of the Governor's Office and information gained through the committee hearing process."

Agencies that will receive an increase in funds include the Department of Public Health by \$350,000; the Department of Human Resources by \$17 million; and the state's Prostate Prevention Account Fund by

12.5 million. "Responsible budgeting can only be done by setting aside funds for a rainy day," states Rep. Knight. "Just as families save a small portion of their income, so should the state. It's just good budgeting and common sense."

Also taking a cut in funding is the House Budget itself, of which legislators expressed their complete support. "We must lead by example. If we are going to ask other agencies to experience cuts in their budget, then we should be fully prepared to take cuts in our own state Rep. Spicer.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of April 2, 2001, through April 8, 2001. They were: Mary Lege, Randolph Armstrong, Randall Fowler, Lauretta Richardson, Herro Wilkerson, Vessie Ward, Willie Cam, Mary Coleman, Jalon Manning, James Smith, Sabrina Slenker, Melissa Hughes, Kristy Dawson, Mary Ayers, Ruth Bryan, Guy Anderson, Scottie Hatfield, Justin Touchette, Brittan Dean, Linda Heering, Courtney Crittendon, Joel Kelly, and James Smith.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Christy Pugh, Robin Simson, Terrance Green, Jody Smith, Dianne Lutterford, Ricka Chandler, Mary Lege, Willie Cam, Kristy Miles, Jackie Bundy, James Harris, Lucille Shackhouse, Mary Coleman, Albert Armstrong, Lauretta Richardson, Vessie Ward, Herro Wilkerson, Jalon Manning, Sabrina Slenker, Guy Anderson, Kristy Dawson, Melissa Hughes, Ruth Bryan, Brittan Dean, Courtney Crittendon, Scottie Hatfield, Justin Touchette, and Mary Ayers.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, April 2, 2001, investigated the following incidents: one harassment, one "dog" one property damage, two thefts of property, two bar barians, two domestic disturbances, one child neglect, one criminal trespass, one dog bite, one DUI, and one criminal mischief.

The following arrests were made: one for obtaining a credit card illegally, one for receiving stolen property, one for failure to appear, and one for harassment.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: eight for failure to wear a seat belt, three for no insurance, nine for speeding, five for not having driver's license in possession, three for no proof of insurance, one for driving while driver's license is suspended, one for running a stop sign, one for improper equipment, one for an improper tag, one for no registration, one for DUI, and one for an expired tag.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, APRIL 2 Fire department dispatched to a house fire on Hickman Avenue (12:13 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to house fire on Hickman Avenue (12:20 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Larkin Road (3:12 a.m.); River stage - 7:78 feet (6:50 a.m.); Alarm at NASCO Equipment (4:09 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 3 Alarm at a residence on Martin Luther King Drive (2:17 a.m.); River stage - 7:32 feet (6:46 a.m.); Minor wreck reported in Elba Market Place parking lot (4:20 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Al Hwy. 87N (8:37 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Co. Rd. 213 (11:04 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 River stage - 10:63 feet (6:38 a.m.); Alarm at a business on Plant Avenue (7:30 a.m.); Disturbance reported at a residence on East Davis Street (11:28 p.m.).

THURSDAY, APRIL 5 River stage - 15:71 feet (6:53 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Co. Rd. 325 (7:18 a.m.); Fire department dis-

patched to a residence on Mullins Circle (8:19 p.m.).

FRIDAY, APRIL 6 Report of stolen items from Moore Street (2:13 a.m.); River stage - 15:64 feet (6:08 a.m.); Alarm at residence on U.S. Hwy. 84 (11:56 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on East Davis Street (6:58 p.m.).

SATURDAY, APRIL 7 River stage - 12:81 feet (6:40 a.m.); Disturbance (loud music) reported in Ramsey Apt. (8:56 p.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8 Minor wreck reported at Elba Texaco (12:39 a.m.); River stage - 12:08 feet (6:58 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Jackson Street (11:59 a.m.); Burglary reported on Neil Graham Drive (12:27 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck on Co. Rd. 259 (6:58 p.m.).

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• **LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues., 6 p.m. Senior & Heart Center
• **ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 1st & 3rd Tues., 8:30 p.m. City Hall
• **AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st & 3rd Tues., 8:30 p.m. City Hall
• **MEN'S GOLF** - 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Brookwood Golf Club
• **BAND BOOSTERS** - 1st Mon., 7 p.m. Brookwood Golf Club
• **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER** - 1st Mon., 8:30 a.m. & 12:30 - 4 p.m. New Brockton Farm Center Complex 894-5565
• **HUNTERS ASSN.** - 3rd Sat., 9 a.m. Club House
• **COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon, Colony Inn, Enterprise
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Area Obituaries

ELIZABETH COLEMAN

Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman, age 92, of 968 County Road 608 Elba, Ala., died April 4, 2001 at the Elba Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel April 6, 2001 with Rev. Milford Johnson officiating. Burial followed in the Mt. Gilead Church Cemetery, Elba.

Mrs. Coleman was preceded in death by her husband, Dewey Coleman and a great grandson, Adam Mills.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Lloyd Lewis, Elba; one granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Cindy Mills and Steve Mills, Level Plains, Ala.; a grandson and granddaughter-in-law, Keith and Mari Lewis, Elba; a great granddaughter, Amanda Mills, Level Plains, Ala.; a great granddaughter, Caitlin Lewis; and a step great grandson, Michael Gibbons, all of Elba, Ala.

SARA VAUGHAN FULLER

Mrs. Sara Vaughan Fuller, age 81, of 2177 County Road 224, Elba, Ala., died April 3, 2001 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan.

Mrs. Fuller was a lifelong resident of Elba and Coffee County.

Funeral services were held April 5, 2001 at Westside Baptist Church in Elba with Dr. Tony Dye and Rev. Kevin Kelley officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Fuller was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. W.R. Fuller.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Marion and Judy Fuller, Opelika; two daughters and sons-in-law, Peggy and Zack Storey and Elizabeth and Tom Dye, all of Elba; two grandsons, Mark Storey, Elba, Brian Fuller, Opelika; two granddaughters and grandson-in-law, Krista Dye, Dothan, Genia and Woody Odom, Opelika; one brother, James R. Vaughan, Elba; four sisters, Dorothy Lindsey and Anne Tucker, both of Elba, Eula Lee Sowards, Montgomery, Betty Sellers, Pelham, Ga.

JULION S. HUGHES

Mrs. Julion S. Hughes, age 71, of Geneva, Ala., died April 4, 2001 in Doctors Memorial Hospital, Bonifay, Fla. after an extended illness.

Funeral services were held April 6, 2001 at First Baptist Church in Geneva with Rev. Chris Adams officiating. Burial followed in the Geneva City Cemetery with Pittman Funeral Home of Geneva directing.

Mrs. Hughes was preceded in death by her husbands, Louie Edward (Buddy) Wheeler and Hubert Eugene Hughes and two brothers, Ben and Emmett Spivey.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Joyce and Jim Abbott, Geneva, Virginia and Ronnie Price, Elba, Shan Hughes, Geneva; five sons and daughters-in-law, Dar and Angel Wheeler, Louie "Pete" Wheeler, Travis Wheeler, Stephen Hughes, all of Geneva, and Terry and Melissa Hughes, Elba; two sisters, Lorene Spivey, Baltimore, Md., Flora Mae Ezell, Enterprise; one brother, Gaston Spivey, Enterprise; 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

LOUISE MACK VAUGHAN
Mrs. Louise Mack Vaughan, age 81, of 200 County Road 276, Enterprise, Ala., died April 3, 2001 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan.

Mrs. Vaughan was a lifelong resident of Coffee County.

Funeral services were held

April 5, 2001 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Minister Mike Medley officiating. Burial followed in the Hillcrest Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Vaughan was preceded in death by two brothers, Ulma Mack and L.J. Mack, and a sister, Lorene Mack.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, James A. and Peggy Vaughan, Elba; two daughters, Dannie L. Cox, Hickman, N.Y., Sharon D. Vaughan, Enterprise; four sisters, Mary Price and Emma Pearl Simpson, both of Pensacola, Fla., Sally Volpe, Donovan, Lexington, N.Y., Ruth Donovan, Lexington, N.Y., three brothers, John Glenn Mack, Kingston, Bennie Mack, North Towanda, N.Y., Bill Mack, Lexington, N.Y.; three granddaughters and grandsons-in-law, Beth Vaughan, Elba, Gina Cox, Riley and Mark Riley, Dothan, Cheryl Cox Rash and Greg L. Rash, Hickman, N.Y.; one grandson, Jake Vaughan, Elba; two great-grandsons, Adam Rash, Hickman, N.Y., Blake Riley, Dothan; and one great-granddaughter, Leah Rash, Hickman, N.Y.

CHARLES DAVIS
Mr. Charles Davis, age 70, of 37 County Road 472, Kinston, Ala., died April 4, 2001 at his residence.

Funeral services were held April 7, 2001 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Talmadge Butler officiating. Burial was held in the Ino Baptist Church Cemetery, Kinston.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Davis, Kinston; two sons, Michael Davis, Rockingham, N.C., Mitch Davis, Opp; two daughters, Jennifer Stewart,

Mrs. Carolyn Boswell, age 59, of Troy, Ala., died April 4, 2001 at Jackson Hospital in Montgomery.

Funeral services were held from the Chapel of Dillard Funeral Home in Troy with Rev. W.O. Sanders officiating. Burial followed in the Green Hills Memorial Park in Troy with Dillard Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include her husband, Danny Boswell, Troy; one son, Robert Boswell, Troy; two grandchildren, Christopher Robert Boswell and Tiffany Daniel Boswell; her parents, Jessie Earl and Zora Mae Yeargan, Montgomery; and one sister, Mary Earl Yeargan, Tampa, Fla.

LOIS HARRIS BRANTLEY
Mrs. Lois Harris Brantley, age 90, died March 29, 2001. Mrs. Brantley was a longtime

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SARA FULLER FAMILY

To our family and friends:

On April 3 at 8:30 a.m., the Lord answered our prayers and welcomed Mother home to Heaven. She is now happy and content living with Daddy and other loved ones. While we are glad she is free of pain and happy once again, there is a tremendous void in our lives. Please continue to pray for us as we try to adjust. Mere words cannot adequately express our appreciation for all the acts of love, kindness, and concern expressed to us during this time. Nevertheless, please accept our most sincere thanks for every word, deed and prayer.

May God bless all of you.
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SMITH FAMILY

We want to thank our family and friends for your kindness, thoughts and prayers during the illness and death of our loved one.

We are grateful for Doctor Dye and the staff of Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home. Thanks for all you did to comfort us. May God continue to bless you.

The family of Mrs. Jessie M. Smith

4/12/pd.

WILLIAMS FAMILY

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all of my relatives, friends and neighbors for all their kindness and sympathy during the sudden death of my mother, Dorothy Ann Williams. Special thanks to the Elba Police Dept., EMS, Elba General Staff and especially Dr. Dye for trying to save her.

Thanks,
Linda, Jeff, Brittany & Samantha

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LINDSEY ANNE KELLEY FAMILY

We would like to express our gratitude to all the many friends and relatives who comforted us with your prayers and kind expressions of love.

The family of Lindsey Anne Kelley

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resident of Banks. She, for years, taught school in the Pike County School System having taught at Shade Grove, Banks, Tarentum and Brundidge schools.

Funeral services were held March 31, 2001 from the Chapel of Dillard Funeral Home with Rev. David Kirby and Rev. W.D. Sanders officiating. Burial followed in the Banks Cemetery with Dillard Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Brantley was preceded in death by her parents, Ida Bell McLeod and John Wilson Harris, a son, John William Brantley, two brothers, Roy Edmond and Cody Wilson Harris Sr., three sisters, Mary Thelma Harris Edge, Juanita Charles Harris and Margaret Sydney Harris Hooks.

Survivors include her husband, James Brantley, Banks; a daughter and son-in-law, Martha Brantley and William Robert Brantley, both of Philadelphia; five brothers, Roy Wesley, Lakeland, Fla., Billy Davis, Fla., Andrew Davis, Los Angeles, Calif., Terry Davis, Chancellor, Queenie Fancher, Enterprise; and many other relatives.

DAISY RHODES
Mrs. Daisy Rhodes, age 82, of Midland City, Ala., died April 9, 2001 at her residence.

Mrs. Rhodes was a native of Crenshaw County and longtime resident of Elba.

Funeral services were held April 11, 2001 at 2 p.m. from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Talmadge Butler officiating. Burial followed in the Camp Ground Methodist Church Cemetery of Crenshaw County.

Mrs. Rhodes was preceded in death by her husband, Tishie Bousfield Capps.

Survivors include a son, Paul Mack Capps, Andalusia; three daughters, Nelline Hudson and Christine Bowden, both of Elba.

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Counselor's Corner

• Honor Day will be held May 3rd at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium. All seniors are asked to nominate Mrs. Weeks of any honor, award, recognition, scholarship, etc. that they have received this year to ensure they are recognized for these achievements.

• The registration deadline for the June 9th ACT is May 4th.

• Scholarship deadlines:

Elba Chapter Troy State Club Scholarship - available to seniors planning to attend TSU Fall 2001. Deadline is April 20th.

Asthma Attack: "Will to Win" Scholarship Program - available to senior athletes with asthma. Deadline is April 30th.

American Legion Scholarships - available for specific colleges. Must be a grandson or granddaughter of a veteran. Deadline is May 1st.

Elba High students compete in history tournament

by Alan Head

On Friday, March 9, four EHS students competed in a local history tournament at L.B.W. Mike Daniel, a professor at L.B.W., created this tournament 12 years ago. Former EHS teacher Mrs. Jean Helms began taking a team from Elba then. Elba has continued to attend the tournament, some years making it better showing than others but always in contention.

This year's team was composed of two seniors Roshanda McKinnon and Alan Head, one junior Austin Boothe, and one sophomore in Kristy Ward. The senior members led the team again in total number of questions answered. Although the team placed 4th in a division of ten, Elba was unable to make it to the final round of competition. Maybe next year's team will go just a little bit further.

Buy a book of memories

by Leanne Mallory

It is that time of year again, Spring is in the air, school is almost over and yearbooks are on sale. The Elba yearbook this year is entitled, Elba... Just Wish You Were Here.

Yearbooks are being sold through the mail for high school students and they will be sold through the classroom for the elementary school.

All yearbooks cost \$28, and will be sold for the next few weeks.

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Tiger Tales

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Student Spotlight

by Francie English

Name: Austin Boothe
Parents: Roger and Pat Boothe
Age: 16 years old
Grade: 11th
Favorite Color: Black
Favorite Music: Alternative and Metal
Clubs/Activities: VICA, Spanish Club, Sr. Beta, Mu Alpha Theta
Interests/Hobbies: Playing the guitar

Personal Quote: "Yabba-Dabba-Do!"

After several months of contemplating, Austin finally came to the conclusion that math would have to be the subject that he would call his favorite. The reason behind this classification is the simple fact that he can catch the most "Z's" during that class period.

One of Austin's friends thought a ketchup packet at one of their schoolmates that was sitting with them at lunch. That unfortunate guy went and changed into his gym shorts (which were rather short) because there was so much ketchup on his pants. However, each one in that group did end up getting paddled - except for the one in the really short shorts - as a result of "the ketchup incident", but all of them found it thoroughly amusing.

Austin is actually pleased with all the courses that Elba high offers; but if he could take a class that this school doesn't offer, it would be psychology.

After he concludes his studies at EHS, Austin anticipates that he will be accepted by the University of South Alabama. He will enroll there in hopes of



Austin Boothe becoming a nurse anesthetologist.

Out of all the years he has spent in this high school, his most memorable moment is definitely "the ketchup incident". One of Austin's friends thought a ketchup packet at one of their schoolmates that was sitting with them at lunch. That unfortunate guy went and changed into his gym shorts (which were rather short) because there was so much ketchup on his pants. However, each one in that group did end up getting paddled - except for the one in the really short shorts - as a result of "the ketchup incident", but all of them found it thoroughly amusing.

Elba Elementary School Menu April 16 - 20, 2001

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cinnamon Toast, 1/2 Apple, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Pancakes, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Eggs, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday - Chicken Nuggets, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Sliced Peaches, Fruit, Milk
Tuesday - Chili w/Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, 1/2 Orange, Milk
Wednesday - Corn Dog, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Cornbread, 1/2 Apple
Thursday - Pizza, Green Salad, Corn, Cake w/Strawberries, Milk
Friday - Bar-B-Q Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, English Peas, Pineapple Chunks, Milk

Elba student athlete receives prestigious honor

Elba student athlete Melissa Mulary earned 2nd Team All-American recognition as one of the top high school Christian student athletes in America. More than 8,400 student athletes nationwide were nominated from 20,000 high schools for this prestigious award and top honors were given in four categories: First and Second Team All-American and First and Second Team Honorable Mention. Athletes were selected for their academic accomplishments, athletic achievements, and Christian character to represent some of the brightest and most accomplished high school student athletes in the world.

The All-American program, now in its fifth year, was created to reward and encourage high school student athletes who are impacting their school, communities, and generation in a powerful way.

"We want to congratulate Melissa on being selected to represent her school, city, state, and country as one of the finest Christian student athletes in America," said Kent Susud, Athletes of Good News Executive Director.

Kirkland awarded scholarship

Miss Amy Kirkland of Elba was awarded the Eleanor Burnett Memorial Scholarship at the Troy State University College of Education Recognition Banquet on Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Miss Kirkland was recognized by Mr. John Jirright, President of the Troy Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa. Phi Delta Kappa awards this scholarship in memory of Mrs. Eleanor Burnett. Mrs. Burnett was a teacher in the Troy City Schools for many years.

Buff beauties crowned during Miss Spring Break 2001

by Amy Kirkland

On Friday, March 23, several young ladies competed for the prestigious title of Miss Spring Break 2001. 13 senior boys got in touch with their feminine side in hopes of winning the crown. The masculine maidens danced, thrived, and judges asked questions. Entertainment was provided by the journalism staff, who performed a dance to "Hey Mickey." After the girls paraded one last time, the judges, Coach Karl Bledsoe, Mrs. Amelia Rhoades, and Coach Andy Lambert, made the final decisions. Jubilicious Bowers won Miss Congeniality and a gift certificate. First runner-up was Alana Head, who received \$20. Jeralyn Monroe DuBoise was named Miss Spring Break 2001. She received \$50 and a gift certificate. The girls in the pageant were: Brandy Slater, Princess Antina Burks, LaShawnda Smart, and Vanissa Hammonds. Donations or gift certificates were donated by the following people/businesses: Mr. Kennedy Grantham, the Elba Marketplace, Lawford's Ace Hardware, Kelley Foods, Kelly's Bar-B-Que and On Cue.

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NEWS From ESJC

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The GED Test of High School Equivalency is administered at Enterprise State Junior College on May 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information about taking the test, call 393-ESJC, ext. 295. FREE classes to assist students in preparing for the exam are available at the ESJC main campus, the Ft. Rucker campus, as well as other sites in Coffee and DeKalb Counties. For more information about the classes, call 393-ESJC, ext. 218.

FREE adult education classes are offered in basic reading, writing, math, and to prepare for the GED Test. Enterprise State Junior College and the Southeast Alabama Adult Education Network bring a session to New Brockton High School, Room 12, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00-9:00 p.m. A special math review classes are held on Wednesdays from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Enrollment is open at any time and at any session; however, students must complete an orientation session and a preliminary test.

Enterprise State Junior College offers opportunities to Wiregrass area businesses and industries to customize courses for their employees. Courses are available for one to 100 learners per course, and are offered for credit and non-credit. Courses may be taught on site or at the College. For more information, call 334-393-ESJC, ext. 208.

COMMUNITY NEWS



EHS STUDENTS AT TSU. Students from Elba High School participated in the second annual Leadership Scholarship Day March 2 at Troy State University. TSU brought more than 160 high school seniors and community college students to campus for interview for Leadership Scholarship, which help defray tuition costs. Students who met with John Schmidt, vice president for Student Affairs, and Leanne Mallory and Cammie Kelley.

Community Caregivers Support Group to meet on April 25th

The Community Care Hospice Caregivers Support Group will meet the fourth Wednesday of every month at 9 a.m. in Enterprise at the Citizens Bank Community Room. The support group is open to all caregivers, not only those of Community Care Hospice. For more information, call Community Care Hospice at 347-6846.

NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

CHRISTOPHER D. BLUE

Army Pvt. Christopher D. Blue has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. He is the son of Gill and Dorothy Blue of Kinston and a graduate of Kinston High School.

Don't Forget Annual EHS BAND DAY SATURDAY

Bring a lawn chair and enjoy a day of music on the courthouse square Saturday, April 14, from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Elba Elementary and Elba High School bands will entertain throughout the day with a performance by the Ft. Rucker band at 12 Noon. An auction will be held at 10:30 a.m. with items donated by local merchants. A new addition to the annual Band Day is the giant yard sale. Anyone may make donations of clothing, toys, appliances, etc. The items should be dropped off at The Jewel Box or call to have them picked up (Laura Baxley at 897-6451 or Anita Grimes at 897-2775). All proceeds will help provide instruments, percussion equipment, travel expenses and music for the Elba High School band.

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Planting America's future

By George Cates, Executive Director, National Tree Trust

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We must never forget the premier role trees play in the overall health of our nation and our planet. Since 1872, Americans have celebrated Arbor Day as that time we give trees the honor they deserve for many reasons. After all, trees give us:

*Medicine - The USDA Forest Service reports 25% of our prescription medicines come from flowering trees.

*Money in our pockets - According to research conducted by the US Department of Energy's Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and the US Forest Service, strategically planted trees can save up to 20 percent in electricity costs. In addition, walls that are shaded tend to be 15 degrees cooler than unshaded walls and direct shade on a roof can make an attic 20 to 40 degrees cooler. In both cases less energy is needed to keep the building cool.

*Clean air - The Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington reports a healthy tree, say a 32-foot tall ash tree, can produce about 260 pounds of oxygen annually. Two trees fill the oxygen needs of a person each year.

*Clean Water - Trees filter and store pollutants. They reduce storm water runoff which, in turn, reduces erosion of nutrient-rich topsoil.

*Increased property value - According to the International Society of Arboriculture, property values of landscaped homes are 5-20% higher than those of non-landscaped homes.

*Reduced stress - Studies have shown that people who view nature after stressful situations show reduced physiological stress response.

The National Tree Trust is one of many organizations helping communities help themselves with trees. In the short but proud history of our non-profit organization, we've provided over 8 million trees at no cost to non-profit volunteer tree planting organizations around the country. Some of those trees were given to groups near your community to plant on public lands.

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AREA HAPPENINGS



GIRL SCOUTS DONATE BUNNIES.Elba Girl Scout Troop #300 recently donated stuffed bunnies and candy to the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation to be given as prizes to all children who participated in last Saturday's First Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Hawkins-William Park. Indiana Lawless, program coordinator for the Parks and Recreation Dept., said the department is grateful to the girls scouts for their generous donation. "Their generosity completed our Easter egg hunt," she said. "Instead of just one child winning a grand prize, we were able to give every child who participated a stuffed bunny and some candy." Pictured above in front of the Parks and Recreation sign with Easter bunnies and eggs are girl scout members, Nim Patel (l) and Amy Kirkland (r).



SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS.On Wednesday, April 4, Mayor James Grimes signed a proclamation declaring the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Elba. The proclamation recognized that sexual assault is a wide ranging social problem which affects women, children and society as a whole. The proclamation also recognized that it is battered and sexually abused women themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring about peace and equality. Mayor Grimes, by signing the proclamation, encouraged all citizens to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs sponsored by The House of Ruth, Inc., to work toward the elimination of personal and institutional violence against women. Present for the signing of the proclamation were: (from left to right): Tanya Wambles, victim advocate for Coffee and Pike counties; Mayor James Grimes; and Judy Crawley, chairperson of Endeavors - Coffee County Task Force Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and executive director of Family Services at the Coffee County Health Department.

Douglas MacArthur State Technical College to offer Saturday Internet Seminar

The Workforce Development and Continuing Education Program at DouglasMacArthur State Technical College will offer an Introduction to the Internet Seminar on Saturday, April 21, 2001, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Raymond V. Chisum Health Sciences Building, Room 101.

This is an introduction seminar that offers basic Internet knowledge and skills including Internet terminology, working with browsers and searching the Internet. Topics covered include: Search Engines; Web Browsers;

Web pages; URL's; Service Provider; equipment required for Internet and how to search the Web efficiently. Anyone interested in the seminar should have prior Windows 95 or 98 experience, be able to navigate through Windows and have adequate keyboarding skills.

Space is limited for this seminar, and anyone interested should register by Monday, April 16, 2001. The cost of the seminar is \$30.00 per participant.

For additional information or to register, contact Cindy Clark at (334) 493-3573, ext. 244.

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ELMER T. BRYAN JR.

Marine Corps Cpl. Elmer T. Bryan Jr., son of Debby and Tyler Bryan of Elba, recently was promoted to his current rank while serving with Headquarters and Service Battalion, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Va.

Bryan is a 1996 graduate of Elba High School and joined the Marine Corps in May 1997.

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LEGAL NOTICES

ESTATE OF MYRTLE F. SELLERS DECEASED

PROBATE COURT PC-01-18

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 2nd day of April, 2001, by the Hon. William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

W. P. SELLERS, Personal Representative
4/5, 12, 19ch

ESTATE OF D. L. PADGIE DECEASED

PROBATE COURT PC-01-17

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 29th day of March, 2001, by the Hon. William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

J. J. PADGIE, Personal Representative
4/5, 12, 19ch

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

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A lot or parcel of land in the City of Elba, Alabama, described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of Ann Street and the Northwest corner of Fred D. and Pauline B. Qualls lot in Payne Subdivision and running thence North 58° 36' W 100 feet along the South margin of Ann Street; thence South 31° 24' W 150 feet to a point; thence South 58° 36' E 100 feet to the Southwest corner of the said Fred D. and Pauline B. Qualls lot; thence North 31° 24' East 150 feet to Ann Street and the POINT OF BEGINNING.

LESS AND EXCEPT: A tract or parcel of land conveyed to the State of Alabama by warranty deed dated 10-11-82, and recorded in Deed Book 78A, Page 275, Probate Office, Elba, Coffee County, Alabama.

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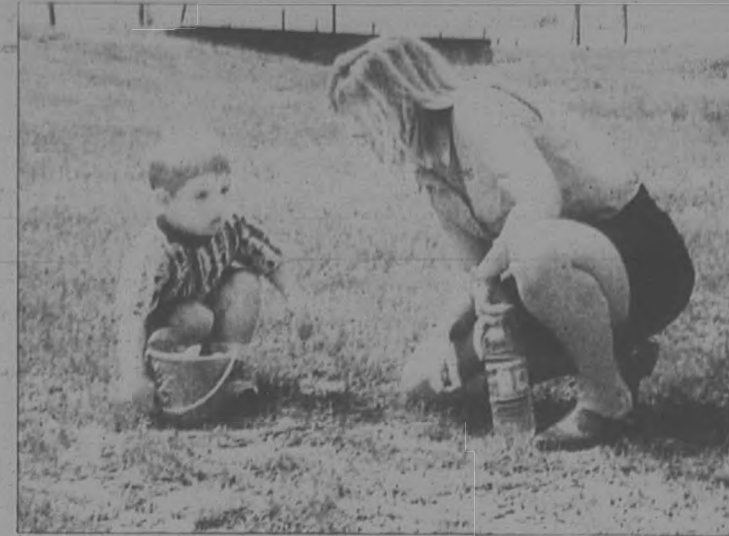
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COMMUNITY NEWS



GROUP EFFORT... This group of youngsters participated in the 1st Annual Elba Parks and Recreation Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 7.



BASKET FULL... Indiana Lawless, program coordinator for the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, spends a few minutes with Logan Davis as he displays an eager face for making sure he has a basket full of Easter eggs before the hunt is over. Logan was one of the many Elba youngsters who enjoyed this fun tradition associated with the Easter season.

Photo by Mike N. Harris, Elba Clipper



USEFUL BASKETS... This young lady decided to use her basket as a hat rather than to hold her Easter eggs.

ZCES receives reading initiative funds

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

Zion Chapel Elementary School (ZCES) is a partner in the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI) and last Friday morning, the efforts of the teachers and students paid off to the tune of \$10,000.

State Senator Jimmy Holley and Representative Terry Spicer, in response to a request for assistance from ZCES Principal Bob Andrews, worked together in securing the funds to help in providing "tools" to assist students in their reading initiative. The students at ZCES have been so turned on to reading, and are reading so many books, the library is running out. The funds will be used to purchase Accelerated Reader books, test disks, level book sets, and listening centers for individual classrooms.

The goal of ARI is to have every child reading on grade level. ARI is not a "program" but rather trains teachers in specific, research-based reading strategies that emphasize phonological awareness, phonics, and reading comprehension skills.

"A unique component of this approach to reading is to advance students who are below grade level as quickly as possible through continuous assessment to determine actual skill areas in need of improvement," said Ann Allison, Coffee County Schools' Reading Specialist. "Students waste no time reviewing what they already know, instead they



Pictured above holding the check in the crowd of children are: Ann Allison, Coffee County Reading Specialist; Dr. Linda Ingram, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent; Charles Walker, Chairman of Coffee County BOE; Annette Grassold, Coffee County BOE Member; Jimmy Holley, Alabama State Senator; Terry Spicer, Alabama State Representative; Bob Andrews, Principal of ZCES.

receive instruction in what they do not know."

Extensive research has proven that, besides the classroom teacher, reading practice is the single most important factor for reading improvement; all students actively participate in the Accelerated Reading Program for independent reading growth.

Last summer, the entire staff of ZCES attended a two-week training session which was mandatory in order to qualify as an ARI partner. As part of the training, the test scores for ZCES were examined. And with this information in hand, an individualized reading improvement plan was developed for the school. Upon its implementation this school year, the faculty quickly began to see reading growth and is continuing to see growth as the year progresses. Zion Chapel Elementary is one of the three schools in the county that serves as a ARI literacy demonstration site for the state. Elba and New Brockton elementary schools are the other two.

Pictured above are Sen. Holley and Rep. Spicer as they made the check presentation on behalf of Gov. Don Siegelman to all the staff and student body of ZCES. They both agreed that, "the ability to read is the key to obtaining a quality education." They both encouraged the students and staff to "keep up the good work!"

Why are our universities whining?

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STATE UNIVERSITIES' INVESTMENTS AND ENDOWMENTS

K-12 INVESTMENTS AND ENDOWMENTS

Good question.

With a billion and a half U.S. dollars in the bank, our state universities are trying to take K-12 funds and make our children sacrifice more than their fair share to account for proration cuts.

While rich friends and trustees of our state's universities fly in their schools' private jets to ball games and vacation destinations, Alabama's school children ride school buses to learn how to read and write.

While the universities are holding fancy receptions for big donors and building monuments to themselves, Alabama's school children go to school in tin cans.

And, Alabama school children are getting smarter. But their progress will stop if we allow our legislature to rob our children's K-12 education budget and give it to the universities.

Tell your legislators to make our state universities use their own money during proration. After all, that's why it's there.

BIG DIFFERENCES

	UNIVERSITIES	K-12
SPENDING PER PUPIL	\$8,400**	\$3,850
GRADUATION RATE	45%	85%
STUDENT POPULATION	103,000***	732,000
FUNDING FROM LEGISLATURE	Unrestricted lump sum	Mandatory line item budget
MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS	None	Staffing • Testing • Student attendance Student transportation • Class size Faculty certification • State takeover of troubled systems • Student nutrition

*Total endowments and investments for our state universities: University of Alabama, Alabama State University, Auburn University (including AUM), Jacksonville State University, University of Montevallo, University of North Alabama, University of South Alabama, Troy State University (including TSUM and TSUD), University of Alabama-Huntsville and UAB. These data were derived from Audit Reports of the State Examiner of Public Accounts. The years in these audits are pre-Governor Siegelman's term.

**Source: The Legislative Fiscal Office

***Source: Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE), Fall 1999 full-time enrollment, including all out-of-state students

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